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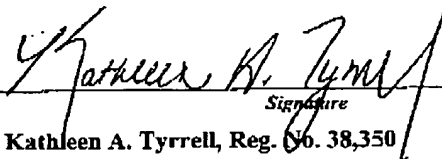
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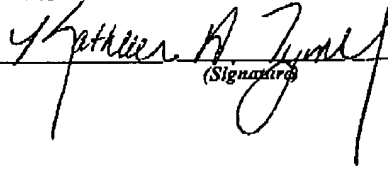
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Amendments to the specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 12 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.